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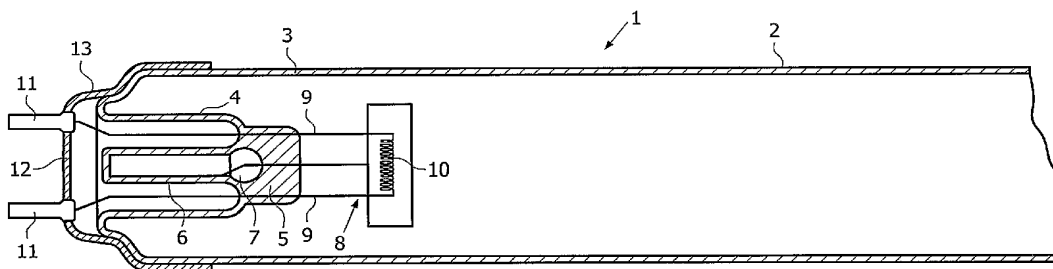
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(57) Abstract: Fluorescent lamp (1) comprising a glass discharge vessel (2) in which a gas is present, which discharge vessel (2) is on two sides provided with a tubular end portion (3) having a longitudinal axis, which end portion (3) includes a glass stem (5), wherein an exhaust tube (6) extends axially outwardly from said stem (5) for supplying and/or discharging gases during the production of the lamp (1), wherein an electrode (8) extends axially inwardly through the stem (5) for generating and maintaining a discharge in the discharge vessel (2), said electrode (8) comprises two pole wires (9) held in position by the stem (5) and connected to plug pins (11) of an end cap (13) fixed to said end portion (3), characterized in that said end cap (13) is at least substantially made of a shrink material.

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